



Titusville Morning Herald.

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## The Census of 1870.

The Ninth Census of the United States will be taken, under the provisions of the act of May 23, 1850, on the first of June next. At the last census, 4,417 Assistant Marshals were employed. Congress having declined to adopt any of the new plans suggested, the census will be taken on the same basis as for the last 20 years. The act of 1850 provides that the census shall be taken by the United States Marshals of the respective districts, with the aid of such assistants as shall be required. The census districts of each State are divided so as to be composed of not less than 20,000 persons. The assistants are paid as follows: Two cents for every name taken, 10 cents for every farm, 25 cents for every productive establishment of industry, 2 cents for every deceased person, and 2 per cent. of the gross amount for names enumerated, for social statistics, and 10 cents per mile for travel. The enumeration must be completed, and the returns all sent in to the Secretary of the Interior by the 1st of November next. The Superintendent of the Census is Francis A. Walker, late of the Bureau of Statistics and Assistant Special Commissioner of Revenue. The Department of the Interior has sent a circular to the several United States Marshals, subjoined is a copy of the one sent to United States Marshal Hawley.

Department of War, Bureau of Land Survey, D. C. Feb. 1, 1870.

To S. M. Hawley, Marshal of Southern District of New York:

Sir:—The Ninth Census of the United States will be taken under the act of May 23, 1850, copies of which, in a form convenient for daily use, will be sent you at an early date. The Census Office has been organized in this Department, and a Superintendent appointed, and all returns will be made in all the matters provided by law, and all communications in the ordinary course of business relating to the census will be addressed to him.

Herewith you will find a blank form for the Marshal's oath, prescribed in section 2 of the law of 1850. Having qualified as therein required, and having forwarded the enclosed form duly filled, subscribed and certified, to this department, you will proceed to discharge the duties of your office in respect to the Ninth Census of districts of residence.

Col. Daniel E. Delavan, late City Inspector of New York, died at the Wooster House, Duxbury, Conn., on Wednesday, surrounded by his wife, brothers and sisters. He was born at Sing Sing, on the Hudson, in 1808, and belonged to an old and distinguished Knickerbocker family; his father being Gen. Delavan of Revolutionary war fame. At 21 he was elected Secretary of the Tammany Society, and after became Scribe to the Council, Father to the Council, and then Grand Sachem, which latter office he held for five successive terms. In 1835 he was appointed Naval Storekeeper by President Taylor, which position of trust he filled until the close of the administration. He was also President of the Old Continental Insurance Co., and was a member of the board of directors at the time of his death. In 1864 he aided in organizing the Widows' and Orphans' Benefit Life Insurance Company. Mr. Delavan was of strict integrity, and in all the relations of life his dealings with men were characterized by conscientious fairness.

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Each Marshal shall separate his district in subdivisions containing not exceeding 20,000 persons in each, unless the limitations to that number cause inconvenient boundaries in which case the number may be larger; and shall estimate, from the best of information which he is able to obtain, the number of square miles in each subdivision, and make the same to the Department of the Interior.

Provided, however, that in bounding such subdivisions, the limits thereof shall be known as civil divisions, such as county, parish, township, ward, or district lines of highways, or natural boundaries such as rivers, lakes, &c.

In the census of 1860, the number of Assistant Marshals actually employed was 4,417, with a population of 31,483,221, showing that the number of persons in a subdivision to have been less than a little more than one-third of the maximum number allowed by law. It is believed that the census operating to produce a similar subdivision than seems to have been originally contemplated will be found to have equal force in the present enumeration.

The following suggestions are offered for the consideration of Marshal in the discharge of this duty:

1. Buildings equal in a plain advantage to the cost of the salaries of subdivisions taken for the last year, wherever the proviso attached to the third section was then properly respected. In this way it will be easier to make an approximation to the present number of persons, farms, shops, &c., in each subdivision, both with reference to determining the probable compensation of assistants, and to distributing in advance the blanks required for enumeration.

2. All other things equal, subdivisions should be made in view to equalizing as much as possible the labor and compensation of assistants.

3. Where any section of country is distinguished as a special industry, it is highly desirable that such section should form a distinct subdivision or group of subdivisions. It is plain that such an arrangement will tend to secure a more full and exact representation of that industry. Particularly this is true of the coal and lake fisheries, which have hitherto been most inadequately enumerated. It is the desire of the commissioners that in making apportionments and assignments in sections interested in the fisheries, the subdivisions be made as large as is otherwise convenient.

4. It is to be hoped that the arrangement of subdivisions should be made merely or mainly to produce numerical or geographical uniformity. Subdivisions varying considerably in extent of surface and in number of inhabitants, but suited to all the other conditions of geographical arrangement and consistent with a just distribution of the compensation among the whole body of assistants employed, and are to be preferred to subdivisions cut out from a district by a uniform rule, without regard to peculiarities of composition, &c.

It is desirable to respect the unity of every city in which more than one Assistant Marshal may be appointed, in such a way that the returns of the two, three, five, or more assistants who may be assigned to the same city, together, make up the proper returns of the city as a whole, including nothing beside.

It may, in some cases, be necessary to assign part of one village, town, or ward, and the whole of others to a single assistant; but the assignment to an assistant of parts of two towns, villages, or wards will be unnecessary.

APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANTS.

After separating your district into subdivisions, according to the terms of the law, and as far as may be consistent with the spirit of the instructions, you will proceed to choose assistants as provided in section 4 of the act of May 23, 1850.

It is earnestly hoped that all duty will be performed with care. Temperate, intelligent, and active men, generally and favorably known in the community, and well versed in letters and figures, should be selected for this work. No other considerations can exist which are of sufficient importance to outweigh the demands of justice and complete enumeration.

The law requires, that assistants shall be residents of the subdivisions for which they are appointed.

Where a foreign language is spoken to any great extent, it is essential that assistants should be able to converse in that tongue. Where the industry of a section is strongly marked by the predominance of a special manufacture, it is very desirable that the assistants should be selected with some reference to their acquaintance with such manufacture.

EXCISE OF SUBDIVISIONS AND APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANTS.

Immediately on completing the division of your district in the manner prescribed by law, you will forward to this Department a report of the same, a form for which is enclosed. In filling out these sheets, room enough will be taken to allow the full geographical description of each subdivision.

In case the designation of Assistant Marshal for any or all the subdivisions of your district, for any reason delayed, you will make a report to this Department, and the sheets will be filled out afterward at the Census Office on your report of such appointments being made.

## BY TELEGRAPH.

## ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORTS

## By the Western Union Line.

## Steamer Founder'd at Elmira.

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Special Dispatch to the Morning Herald.

PARKERS LANDING, April 4.

The steamer Oil Valley founder'd at the Elmira bridge this morning at 11 o'clock and sank; one man was drowned. The boat will probably be a total loss. It was owned by Jackson Davis, Oil City, and valued at fifteen thousand dollars.

ALFRED W. CONNIN.

## NEWS BY CABLE.

LONDON, April 4.

Dispatches from Calcutta state the Governor General of India is making a tour of the eastern growing districts of the country, urging the necessity of increased cultivation of cotton in order to compete successfully with the United States.

Another Railroad Accident.

CINCINNATI, April 4.

The western hand railroad train which left Quincy Saturday night on the Hannibal &amp; St. Joe Railroad, met a serious accident about twenty-four miles from Quincy. Two passenger and one sleeping cars were thrown from the track down the embankment and completely demolished. Five twenty-five passengers were more or less injured, two of them seriously.

Brown's Bronchial Trachea.

SOLD EVERYWHERE.

TELEGRAMS.

Caution—Audacious Counterfeiting.

LEXINGTON, Ky., April 4.

The election is passing off quietly and the negroes are voting without molestation in all the wards. No excitement.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

## Sales and Re-Sales of Crude Petroleum, Free on Cars in the Cities, April 4, 1870.

400 bbls on the Upper Creek, at \$1.00 per bbl.

300 bbls on the Upper Creek, at \$1.00 per bbl.

100 bbls on the Upper Creek, at \$1.00 per bbl.

100 bbls at Roseville, at \$1.00 per bbl.

100 bbls at Bremen, at \$1.00 per bbl.

